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CABINET PASSES NEW REWARD RULES
TO SPUR PRODUCTION

INCENTIVE PRIZES INCLUDE RUBBER SHOES, FABRICS -- Nodong Simmun, 10 Dec 49

The cabinet of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea has adopted Cabinet Decision No 182, dated 8 December 1949, governing the production increase contest among industrial enterprises and marine and overland transportation agencies:

1. The championship flags of the Ministry of Industry, Ministry of Transportation, and the Central Committee of the North Korean Trade Federation shall be awarded to the enterprises which attain the most outstanding records in executing the state economic programs. The flags shall be passed on to the next group of winning enterprises each month or each quarter of the year.
2. Each championship flag shall include cash rewards, cabinet flag first class, up to 200,000 won; second class, up to 100,000 won. Other flags shall include rewards of lesser amounts.
3. The following conditions must be fulfilled by an enterprise in order to receive awards in the production increase contest:
 - a. Fulfill production quotas with the highest labor efficiency at minimum production cost, and meet all requirements of the state economic program.
 - b. Maintain 85 percent or better utility of production facilities and at the same time keep the consumption of raw materials below the average standard.
4. The enterprise which receives a cash reward must use 30 percent of the total amount for economic and cultural promotion in that enterprise, and the balance of 70 percent must be distributed to the most outstanding laborers, engineers, technicians, and clerical workers in that enterprise. At least 80 percent of the above balance must be distributed to the laborers.

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5. An individual worker may be awarded money or goods if he attains an outstanding record in production, or invents a new device for improvement of efficiency. The Ministries of Finance, Industry, and Transportation have been allocated monetary reward funds for individual workers, and other prizes including 800,000 meters of cotton, silk, and woolen fabrics, 72,000 pairs of rubber shoes and working shoes, and 1,440,000 yards of knitted goods.

6. The Ministries of Industry and Transportation shall exercise general control of the reward funds appropriated to the enterprises which will participate in the 1950 production contest. The above authorities shall keep day-to-day accounts of the funds in order to insure appropriate use thereof by each enterprise.

7. The Ministries of Industry and Transportation may confer People's Republic decorations or medals of merit to the most outstanding laborers, technicians, engineers, and clerical workers at the end of each year on the basis of their achievements during that year.

8. The "Rules Governing Commendations for Honorary Badges to Model Industrial Workers," and the "Rules Governing Commendations for Honorary Badges to Model Transportation Workers," both of which have been proclaimed previously, shall apply to the conferring of honorary badges to model workers during this contest.

9. The ministries concerned shall collaborate with the Central Committee of the North Korean Trade Federation in judging each case of recommendation for rewards.

10. The Production Contest Committee, composed of the management of the enterprise and representatives of local social organizations, shall be organized for each enterprise for the purposes of planning, inspecting, and reviewing the production increase contest in that enterprise.

11. The ceremony for conferring rewards must be conducted in the presence of all the personnel of the enterprise receiving recognition.

PREMIER PRAISES HUNGNAM FERTILIZER PLANT -- T'usa Sinmun, 10 Dec 49

The following is the text of a letter from Premier Kim Il-song congratulating the Hungnam Fertilizer Plant on surpassing its production goal:

To the Hungnam Fertilizer Plant

Comrade Chu Chong-ui, Superintendent
Comrade Kim Hong-chip, Chairman, Workshop Committee,
North Korean Trade Federation

I was happy to receive the report from the People's Economic Program Annual Achievement-Reviewing Conference informing me that the workers of the Hungnam Fertilizer Plant have completed the 1949 quota of the Two-Year People's Economic Program as early as 29 November 1949, and have surpassed the original goal in the production of ammonium sulfate by 40,000 tons.

I congratulate you by saying that your brilliant record is definite proof of your loyalty to the People's Republic, and that it is an outstanding contribution to the forthcoming peaceful unification and sovereign independence of the Fatherland. I encourage you earnestly to continue to carry your production struggle toward a new record.

Kim Il-song, Premier, Democratic People's
Republic of Korea

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